CLOSING THE GAP: IDENTIFYING VETERAN-SPECIFIC TEXTBOOK CONTENT GAPS AND VETERAN-CENTERED COMPETENCIES

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## <section-header><section-header> DBJECTIVES Discuss adequacy of military/veteran related content in nursing textbooks used in prelicensure programs Examine content gaps and veteran care competencies knowledge, skills, and attitudes Discuss the curricular implications of identified gaps in nursing textbooks with respect to veteran care competencies Provide recommendations for integrating veteran care competencies across the lifespan

### JOINING FORCES INITIATIVE

- Educating America's future nurses
- Enriching nursing education
- Integrating content that addresses unique health and wellness challenges in veterans
- Sharing teaching resources and applying best practices
- Growing the body of knowledge
- Joining with others

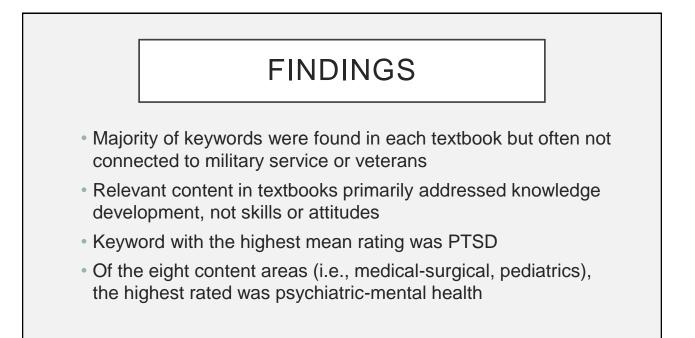


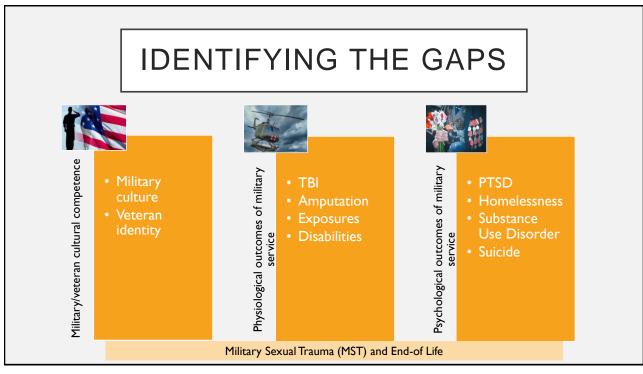
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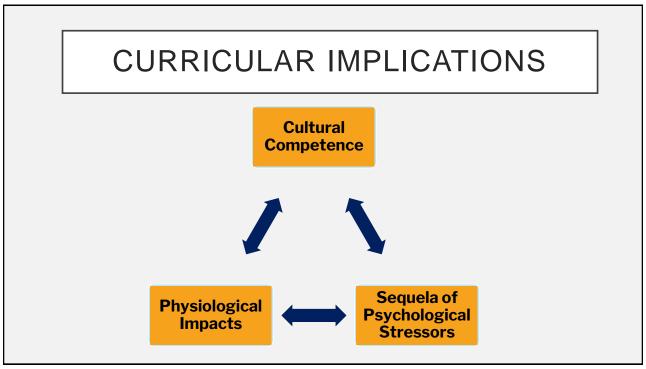
### VETERAN CARE COMPETENCIES

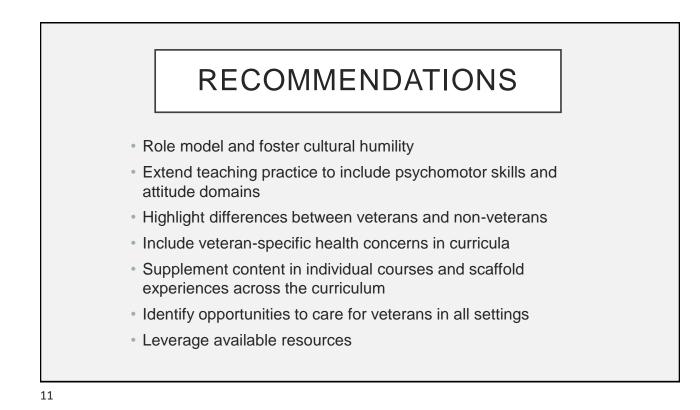
| Competency   | Tam-Seto et al., 2019 | McMillan et al., 2017 | Moss et al., 2015 |  |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--|
| Military/Veteran Culture                                 | Х                     | Х                     | Х                 |  |
| PTSD   |                       | Х                     | Х                 |  |
| ТВІ  |                       | Х                     | Х                 |  |
| SUD  |                       | Х                     | Х                 |  |
| Suicide  |                       | Х                     | Х                 |  |
| Polytrauma or Amputation/Assistive<br>Devices/Wound Care |                       | Х                     | х                 |  |
| Pain (Acute or Chronic)                                  |                       | Х                     |                   |  |
| Exposures (Environmental/Chemical/Noise)                 |                       | Х                     | Х                 |  |
| MST  |                       |                       | Х                 |  |
| Homelessness   |                       |                       | Х                 |  |
| End of Life  |                       |                       | Х                 |  |
| Veterans Health Administration/Access to<br>Healthcare   | х                     | Х                     | х                 |  |
| Care of Military Families or Caregivers                  | Х                     | Х                     |                   |  |

| Military | Veteran | Deployment                           | Injuries          | Noise<br>Exposure | Infectious<br>Disease | Trauma                     | Psychological           | Other                           |
|----------|---------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Culture  | VA      | War                                  | Agent<br>orange   | Tinnitus          | Hepatitis C           | Brain injury<br>(TBI)      | Depression              | Homelessness                    |
| Health   | VHA     | Reintegration                        | Blast injury      | Hearing loss      |                       | PTSD                       | Suicide                 | Military Sexual<br>Trauma (MST) |
|          |         | Chronic multi-<br>symptom<br>illness | Mustard gas       |                   |                       | Disability<br>(ies)        | Substance use<br>(SUD)  | End of life                     |
|          |         |                                      | Cold injury       |                   |                       | Amputation<br>(prosthesis) | Combat stress           | Advocacy                        |
|          |         |                                      | Bio-<br>terrorism |                   |                       | Chronic<br>pain            | Psychological<br>stress |                                 |









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### QUESTIONS?



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